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1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

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# DETAILED ACTION

## Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 10/26/2009 has been entered.

#### Response to Arguments

 Applicant's arguments, see Remarks, filed on 10/26/2009, with respect to the independent claims, have been fully considered and are persuasive. The Art Rejection of claims 25, 27, 29-33, 35-41 and 43-61 has been withdrawn.

#### Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

4. Claims 25, 27, 29-32, 49-52 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

Claims 25, 27, 29-32, 49-52 disclose a computer readable storage medium carrying one or more sequences of one or more instructions. This disclosure constitutes new matter. The original disclosure does not provide support for computer-readable storage medium. Therefore, though it is known that such a medium may carry one or more sequences of one or more instructions, without specific support in the specification, the new matter rejection is warranted.

# Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 33, 35-41 and 43-48, 53-61 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

After a thorough search and further examination and in view of Applicants' arguments (pages 15-19 of the Remarks), Claims 33, 35-41 and 43-48, 53-61 are allowed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

## Conclusion

 Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to PIERRE-LOUIS DESIR whose telephone number is (571)272-7799. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8-5. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dwayne Bost can be reached on (571)272-7023. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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